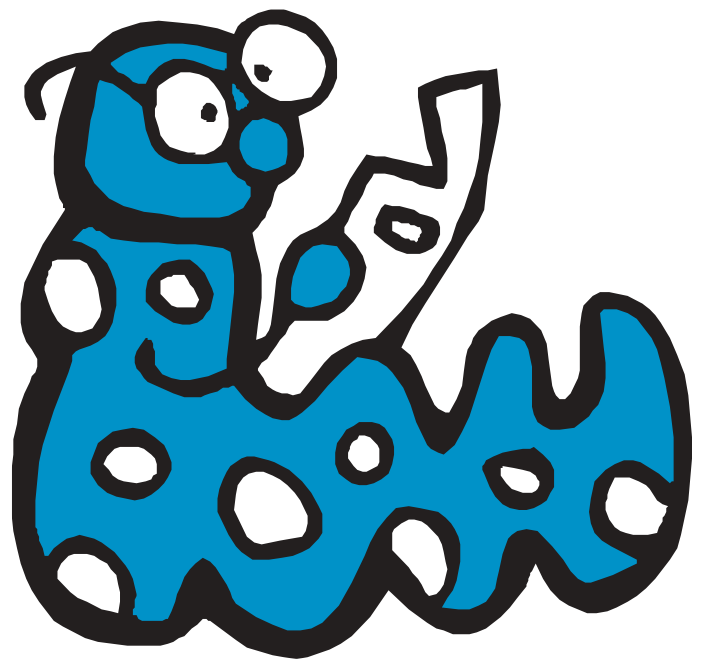


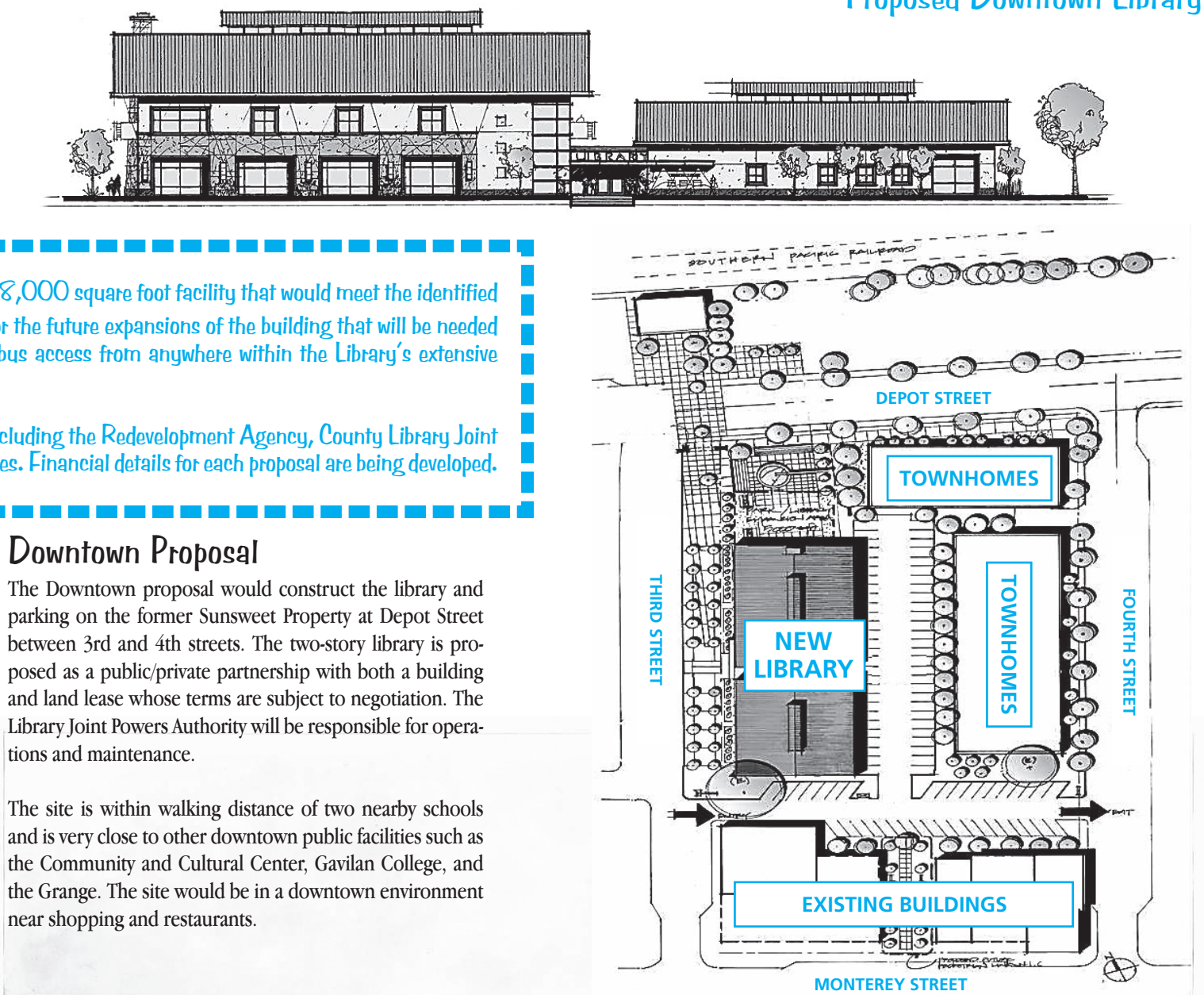
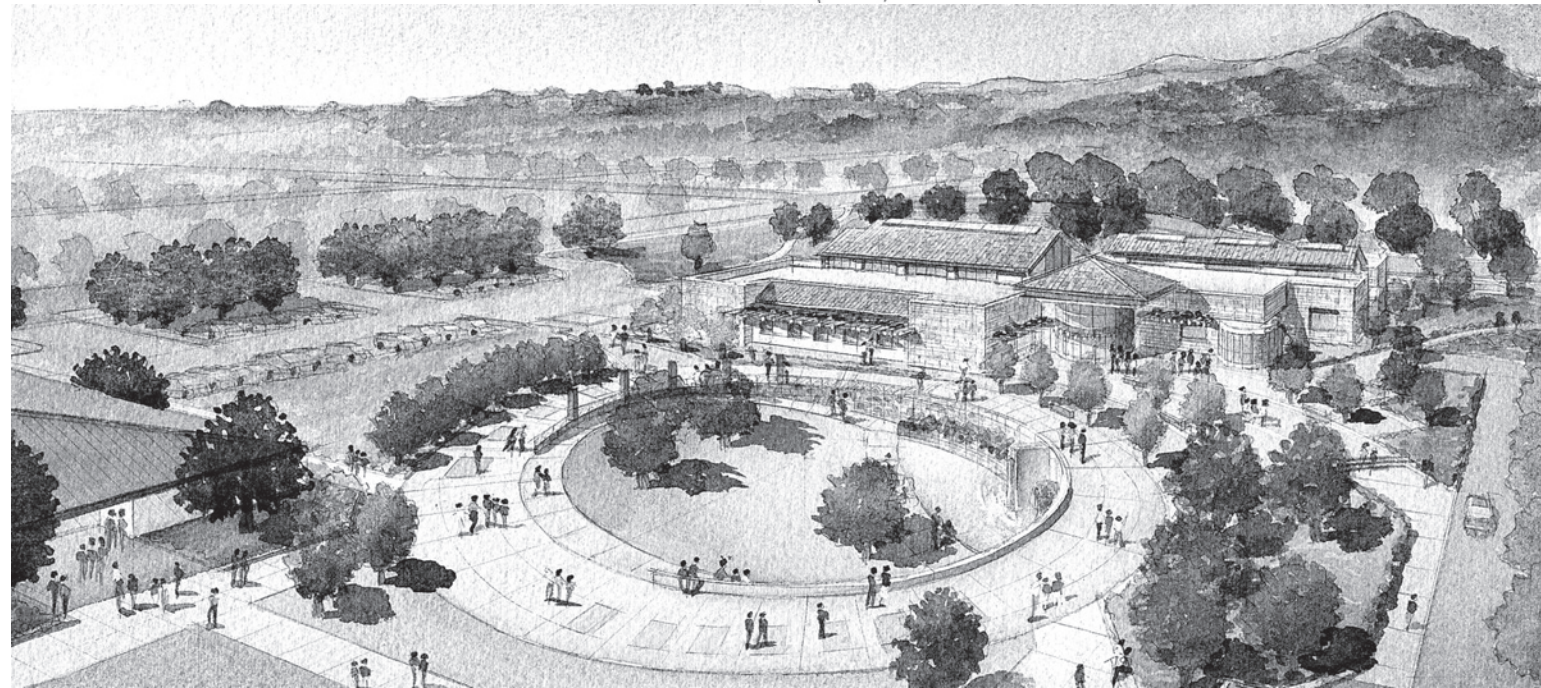
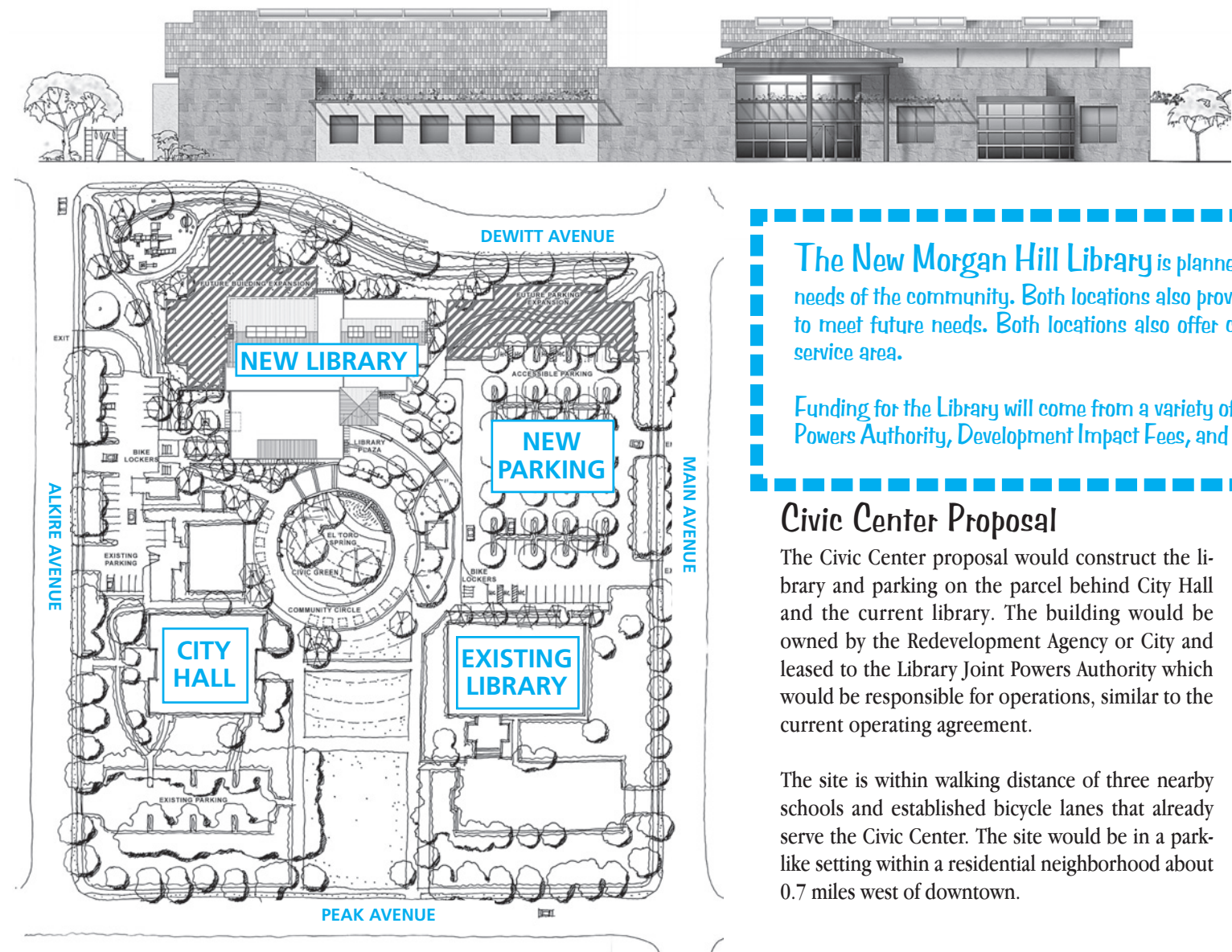
Originally built in 1973, the existing Morgan Hill Library is woefully inadequate to meet the needs of the greater Morgan Hill Community today.

The City is currently evaluating where a new library should be sited and how it should be financed. The two sites under consideration are the "Civic Center Site" directly to the west of City Hall, and the "Sunsweet Site" in Downtown between 3rd and 4th Streets.

Look inside for more details on each of these proposals and then let us know what you think by filling out and returning the "Your Opinion Matters" form on page 6.







The New Morgan Hill Library is planned to be a 28,000 square foot facility that would meet the identified needs of the community. Both locations also provide room for the future expansions of the building that will be needed to meet future needs. Both locations also offer convenient bus access from anywhere within the Library's extensive service area.

Funding for the Library will come from a variety of sources including the Redevelopment Agency, County Library Joint Powers Authority, Development Impact Fees, and other sources. Financial details for each proposal are being developed.

Civic Center Proposal

The Civic Center proposal would construct the library and parking on the parcel behind City Hall and the current library. The building would be owned by the Redevelopment Agency or City and leased to the Library Joint Powers Authority which would be responsible for operations, similar to the current operating agreement.

The site is within walking distance of three nearby schools and established bicycle lanes that already serve the Civic Center. The site would be in a park-like setting within a residential neighborhood about 0.7 miles west of downtown.

Downtown Proposal

The Downtown proposal would construct the library and parking on the former Sunsweet Property at Depot Street between 3rd and 4th streets. The two-story library is proposed as a public/private partnership with both a building and land lease whose terms are subject to negotiation. The Library Joint Powers Authority will be responsible for operations and maintenance.

The site is within walking distance of two nearby schools and is very close to other downtown public facilities such as the Community and Cultural Center, Gavilan College, and the Grange. The site would be in a downtown environment near shopping and restaurants.





## Your Opinion Matters

I believe the new library should be located:

- ☐ at the Civic Center Site behind City Hall
- ☐ at the Downtown Site between 3rd and 4th Streets
- ☐ in either location as long as the community gets a new facility

or

- ☐ I am not in favor of building a new library

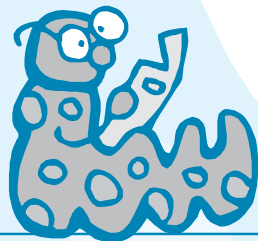
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## Public Input on The New Library

The Morgan Hill City Council is planning to make the final decisions on the selection of the new Library site and financial arrangements in June.

The Council wants public input to help make their decisions on the Library and this insert was designed to present you with the information that we currently have on the two alternatives. Included adjacent is a feedback form for you to use to provide your input on which site you prefer

This is not a scientific survey that will statistically establish a community preference. Instead, this questionnaire merely enables those interested in the Library to express their opinion. We think this approach provides a better sense of the community that is most impacted by the decision.

Your feedback in this survey is only one element of consideration in the Council's decision, the final cost figures, the identification of all the funding sources, and final contractual arrangements are very significant additional factors that the Council will need to consider in making a final decision.

These designs are also on display at the Library and the Community Center, with feedback forms available. We are asking for your feedback by May 21st.

The Library Commission will be updated at their May 10 and June 7 meetings with additional information on the sites and financial arrangements. These meetings are at 7:15 PM in the Council Chambers at City Hall. The City Council will be meeting in June with a target of June 23rd for making the final decision.

